Dear Parents and Caregivers

It was a great privilege to be able to speak at the Parent/Teacher Information night last Thursday evening and to have the opportunity to welcome you back to our 2013 school year. Thank you to those parents who gave of their time to attend this information evening. Your support is greatly appreciated and I trust that you now have an outline of classroom expectations and the curriculum for the year ahead.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2014

Prep enrolments are due by 29th March. If you are wishing to enrol your child or know of someone who would like to enrol their child here at St Joseph’s for Prep next year please pass on that enrolments are due by the 29th March 2013.

The interview process will be during the month of May.

ILLNESS

At any given time at St Joseph’s there are families who are inflicted with some illness, some worse than others. Presently we are having bouts of summer colds, including sore throats, and vomiting bugs. Most of us are resilient to these bugs and bounce back after rest and care. For others, all illnesses, including flu and vomiting, and contagious diseases are potentially life-threatening. Out of respect for these people could we please remind you of the health protocols at St Joseph’s.

If your child is sick please keep them away from school until he/she has recovered and no longer has the ability to spread the germs. If your child has a contagious disease, eg chicken pox, whooping cough, conjunctivitis, school sores, please inform us immediately so that we can inform the school community, and in particular, the relevant families. If your child is going to be away, please inform the school office by 9am that day.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Thank you to parents for ensuring that your child is wearing the correct St Joseph’s school uniform. The children wear the day uniform beautifully and it is great to see hair ties of school colours only. When wearing our sports uniform could parents please check that the sports shoe is predominantly white. At present there are some very bright coloured sports shoes being worn and these are not acceptable as part of our uniform policy. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Next Thursday 7th March, St Joseph’s will hold the Year 3-7 swimming carnival at the Newmarket Pool. Please remember that children need a swim cap to participate in their races as well as bring along sunscreen, water and enough food for the day. Your child is to wear sports uniform and school hat with their coloured t-shirt (if they have one).

In advance I’d like to thank Christie Lewis, our PE teacher, for co-ordinating the carnival along with the sports committee who have assisted with the preparations.

75TH CELEBRATIONS

The celebrations planned for our 75th celebrations this year are :-

- St Joseph’s Feast Day – Tuesday 19 March, 2013……celebration for the students
- Ball in the Hall – Saturday evening 11 May …..past and present parents and friends celebrations
- Parish Mass – Sunday 12 May….family Eucharistic celebration
SOME INFORMATION ABOUT TUESDAY 19 MARCH – ST JOSEPH’S DAY
Children are to come to school dressed in olden day clothes (eg boys: - long shorts, long socks, shirt braces, cap and shoes and girls long shirts, blouses, bonnets and shoes or old school uniforms). We ask that you don’t go to too much trouble or expense for this event……please use whatever you might have at home. If it is too much trouble, our current sports uniform will be acceptable.

We hope you can join us for our Eucharist Celebration at 9am. For further details of the children’s activities, please see the attached 75th Anniversary Edition with this email.

Have a great week!

Carolyn Hayes
Principal

From the APRE
Project Compassion 2013
We have had lots of classes already collecting lots of money for our 2013 Appeal. They are very excited about getting a free dress day if they reach our target of $2000.

Thank you for always being so generous.

St Joseph’s Behaviour Support Plan
As part of our holistic approach to behaviour support, it was decided a whole school classroom management system was needed to compliment the plan. After consultation with staff and Education Officers from our Brisbane Catholic Education Office, we developed our Classroom Management System: Orange and Red Cards.

Behaviour concerns were broken into minor (orange card) and major (red card) categories. The system was then developed so that children were given the opportunity to be responsible for their behaviour and understand the consequences for inappropriate behaviour. The teacher is able to deal with the behaviour in a way that doesn’t stop the whole class and allows for a better teaching environment.

Process For an Orange Card:

| NO CARD | Warning and reminder of rules for minor offences. These may include but not restricted to calling out, disturbing others, disobedience, rudeness, not following teacher directions, breaches of classroom or school rules. Child is then reminded that they will receive an orange card if the wrong behavior continues. |
| ORANGE | Card is issued after one or more warnings, and the child remains in the classroom. At this point the child is made aware of the consequence if their inappropriate behaviour continues eg moved to another area in the classroom until work is finished, moved to another room until work is finished, sent to office to speak with a member of the Admin team. The card is placed on the child’s desk and remains there until the teacher is satisfied that the criteria for return has been met. This criteria is explained by the teacher and progress is monitored. |

Criteria for Return (If orange card consequence is carried out) The child has had an individual talk with the teacher regarding the unacceptable behaviour and filled in the Restorative Practices Slip.

Star Awards
Strive for equity
Take responsibility
Always be safe
Respect self and others

Congratulations to Ethan Tallis – Last week’s ice block recipient.
**Important Dates**

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**Term Dates 2013**

Term 1 - Wednesday 30 January - Thursday 28 March
Term 2 - Monday 15 April - Friday 21 June
Term 3 - Monday 8 July - Friday 20 September
Term 4 - Tuesday 8 October - Friday 6 December (Pupil free day Monday 21 October)

**ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL UPDATE**

**Important Dates**

* March ‘Park N Stride’ commences next **Wednesday 6 March 2013** – meet Mr Robbo at the Bowman Park swings (closest to Bowman Parade) at 8.10 for a walk to school;

* AST surveys will commence next **Wednesday 6 March 2013** (and every Wednesday after that). All active travel to and from school will be counted – walking, public transport, scooters, cycles, car pooling;

* The first Star Class Award for active school travel will be presented at the final Assembly of term for the class with the highest percentage of students who participate in active travel to and from school on active Wednesdays;

* AST Breakfast will take place in the tuckshop area from **8.15 am Wednesday 27 March 2013** – muffins, fruit, juice (please bring a cup) and special giveaways (if anyone is able to assist or donate muffins, fruit or juice please let us know);

* National Ride2School Day is Friday 22 March – another day to actively travel to school whether cycling, walking, scooter etc;

**Other News**

In 2012 we increased our active travel statistics. We had 30% of students walking to school on Active Wednesdays (8% in 2011) and 14% carpooling (7% in 2012). It would be great if we could further increase these results in 2013 particularly with the number of students cycling or riding their scooters.

While we managed to reduce travel to school by car on these days (from 84% to 55%) there is still significant congestion around the school and difficulty with carparking at pick up time. Don’t forget there are other options – carpooling or parking at the gym or Bowman Park!!

Catherine Myers
0422000321/catherine.myers@optusnet.com.au
URGENT - Vacancy - School Crossing Supervisor

A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at St Joseph’s School Bardon. The School Crossing Supervisor may be required to work five days per week in all weather conditions. The hours of work for the School Crossing Supervisor are 1.5 hours a day which comprises a morning and afternoon shift. Supervisors will work within a rostered environment.

The current rate of pay is $25.61 per hour.

Commencement of work for the successful applicant is dependent on:

The favourable outcome of a health assessment carried out by a Government Medical Officer.

A Positive Notice Blue Card (Queensland Transport will assist with application)

Full training provided

A completed application should be returned to:
The Principal
St Joseph’s School Bardon
P O Box 2108
Ashgrove West, 4060

Wests Juniors JAFC NAB AFL Auskick Centre Ages 5 - 10

Cost Only $60.00!!

Sign on & 1st Session: Friday 26th April, 2013
Time: 5.00pm – 6.15pm (every Friday for 14 weeks)
Venue: Wests Juniors JAFC, Oakman Park, Union Street, Toowong

For more information contact: AFLQ Brisbane West office on 3033 5432
TO REGISTER:

OPTION A – PREFERRED OPTION - Three Easy Steps:
1. Register & pay online at
   www.aflauskick.com.au
2. Print submitted registration form & receipt
3. Hand form with payment to your AFL Auskick Co-ordinator at the first session

1. OPTION B - Complete a handwritten registration form and give along with payment to your AFL Auskick Co-ordinator at the first session.

Nude Food - Every Wednesday
Litter Free Lunchboxes!!

Tip for the Week:
No Lunch Wrap……..Save $$$’s on your grocery bill!

CLICK, SNAP! - NO WRAP!

This Week’s Lunchbox Recipe:
Lettuce Cups

Ingredients
• Grated cheese
• Grated carrot
• Shredded chicken/ham
• Mayonnaise

Just Wrap in lettuce leaves.
Yummy, healthy and No Lunch Wraps Needed!!
LANGUAGES - ITALIAN AT ST JOSEPH’S BARDON
Jeanette Vanderzee

Language is:
- Interpreting and making meanings.
- A way of seeing, understanding and communicating about the world.
- A daily social practice in which to participate.

Why study languages?
The ability to speak two languages can make bilingual people better able to pay attention than those who can only speak one language, a new study suggests. (April, 2012)

Scientists have long suspected that some enhanced mental abilities might be tied to structural differences in brain networks shaped by learning more than one language, just as a musician’s brain can be altered by the long hours of practice needed to master an instrument. (April, 2012 The Wall Street Journal)

Why Italian?
Italian has been taught in Australian schools and universities since the 1930s. At this time it was offered alongside French and German as a ‘language of culture’. Italian curricula borrowed a strong literary and grammatical emphasis from the precedent of Latin. The language is valued as providing access to the rich literary, musical and artistic heritage of Italy.

Italian at St Joseph’s
Italian belongs to the Romance family of languages and is well-connected to its ‘sibling’ languages of Spanish, Portuguese and French. It has commonalities and connections with English, sharing many Latin derived words and operating with the same Roman alphabet. The meaning of many Italian words can be instantly recognised through their similarity to English.

Phonologically, Italian is relatively accessible to the English-speaking learner. It is a mostly phonetic language, pronounced generally as it is written, which is helpful in terms of literacy development and especially the development of listening and speaking skills. There is clear emphasis on all syllables, intonation follows regular rhythms and patterns, and words end in a vowel.

Learning Intentions
To learn not only to communicate in the Italian language but deepen our understandings about the people, the country, the traditions, the food, art, faith, culture and the history of Italy.

Signs of success Criteria
Students will
- Identify English words that are derived from Latin/Italian
- Be able to communicate in Italian and about Italian life and culture
- Engage in real life Italian conversations
- Understand their historical connections to Italy as Australians

Ideas resourced from the text: “Teaching and Learning Languages: A guide” by Angela Scarno and Anthony Liddicoat (Australian Government: DEEWR)
Melbourne Declaration: Australian Curriculum: Languages, 2012
Draft: Foundation to Year 10 Australian Curriculum: Languages – Italian
Did you know this about our Australian Catholic organisations?

- 66 hospitals - 9,500 beds (12% of all hospital beds)
  - 19 public hospitals with 3,100 beds
  - 47 private hospitals with 6,400 beds
- 23,200 residential aged care beds
- 5,393 retirement and independent living units and serviced apartments
- 8 dedicated hospices with palliative care services

Year 7B Sophie for consistently contributing to all class activities and for excellent manners.
Year 6B Ruby for always giving 100% effort towards learning.
Year 5B Caitlin for beautiful neat work in her maths book.
Year 4/5G Ella for being enthusiastic and perseverant.
Year 4B Oscar for showing initiative and responsibility in all the tasks he was given.
Year 4W Gabrielle for creating an interesting narrative for Religion
Year 3B Joshua for being respectful of others.
3G Sam for being a fantastic role model to all students.
3W Helen for coming to school with a smile and trying hard to finish her work.
2B Harriet for being a responsible student by always doing your best work.
2G Maya for always working well in class and showing respect to others.
2W Elizabeth for being a great listener and showing beautiful manners.
1B Lachlan for using fantastic listening skills and always joining in class discussions with enthusiasm and humour.
1G Dominic for never giving up even when things get hard. You are just like Petey Persistence.
1W Lilly for always bringing her smiley face and positive attitude, even when the work is new.
Prep B Jemima for always displaying beautiful manners and for excellent listening skills.
Prep G Sofia for being a positive class member and a great role model to her friends.
Prep W Flynn for a huge improvement with his listening and problem solving skills.

Kilometre Club News

KILOMETRE CLUB IS COMING!

The time is drawing close for the start of this year’s Kilometre Club season. Some of you may be surprised to hear that this is the 25th season of Kilometre Club at St Joseph’s. We’re very lucky to once again have the help of Janet and Peter McFadden, ex-parents of St Joseph’s and the originators of Kilometre Club. Mrs Lamb (Year 2) is the person to contact at school.

All new families to the school including those in Prep, will be receiving an information note next week. This note will explain what Kilometre Club is and how it operates in the school. Please take the time to read it and have a think about whether you’d like to take part in Kilometre Club.

Kilometre Club will start on Wednesday 20 March (Zone swimming day).

Notes will go home soon to interested children.

Helpers Needed

We are in need of parent volunteers for all sessions….Sundays, holidays and Wednesday mornings. We are hoping to establish a roster for Sunday and holidays so that we “spread the love”. These sessions really will be unable to go ahead unless we can do this. Parent help (from all grade levels) is needed to ensure children’s safety and we are looking for groups who would help to marshal the course. We need a couple of people who would be willing to help with organising this roster.

We would also appreciate help with marshalling our large groups on Wednesday mornings.
P&F Minutes Available on Website
On the Left Hand Menu Bar, Click into Community, Parents and Friends, then at the top left of the page, click into P & F Minutes of Meeting or P & F Meeting Agenda. Then download the appropriate file. Alternatively, click into:
The Files will be uploaded to the site as the documents become available.

Tuckshop Roster 4 March
Tuckshop  Patty Cakes
Kate Roche  Evonne Martin
Sophia Cameron  Sophia Cameron
Catrina Daly  Catrina Daly
Kym Woods

DADS NIGHT
The annual Dad’s night is to be held at Gambaros on April 19th. Price upon entry will be $25 to cover the cost of nibbles. Drinks will be available at the bar! We need to advise numbers for catering purposes so please RSVP to Barney McAuliffe on mcauliffe@bcmtrading.com or 0400 090 822 asap to secure your place!

International Women’s Day Breakfast:
The All Hallows’ Past Pupils’ Assn. is hosting an IWD Breakfast at 7am on Friday 8th March in Loretto Hall, All Hallows’, 547 Ann St.
The guest speaker is Madonna King – her topic is “Leadership – What Makes a Difference”.
Tickets are $50 and are available for purchase online at www.allhallows.qld.edu.au. Bookings close 28 Feb 2013.
For further enquiries (including about alternate forms of payment), contact Lenore Thompson on 3831 5632 or email thompsol@allhallows.qld.edu.au.

We invite all past staff and student to join us in celebrating Our Lady of the Rosary Jubilee On
Sunday 3 March 2013 at 10am
Our Lady of the Rosary School
1 Kenmore Road, Kenmore
Commencing with Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge RSVP by 27 Feb 2013 pkenmore@bne.catholic.edu.au 3378 2412

St Joseph’s Centenary Mass and Family Picnic
St Joseph’s Top Oval
Sunday 10th March at 10.00am
Mass Presider: Archbishop Mark Coleridge
BYO Chair and Picnic Lunch. Cold drinks and coffee van available.
Classrooms will be open from 11.30am until 1.30pm.